

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following new paragraph after paragraph [0018]:

a1 [0018.1] Figure 3 is a flowchart of a second embodiment of a method of forecasting unscheduled component demand for an aircraft fleet.

Please replace paragraph [0027] with the following amended paragraph:

[0027] In a preferred embodiment, $K = 16$ and the following sixteen models are selected for $k = 1$ to 16:

1. $\lambda_{i,j,1,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \sin(TEMP_m)$

2. $\lambda_{i,j,2,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cos(TEMP_m)$

a2 3. $\lambda_{i,j,3,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \sin(HRSSHP_{j,m})$

4. $\lambda_{i,j,4,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cos(HRSSHP_{j,m})$

5. $\lambda_{i,j,5,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 TEMP_m + \beta_2 HRSSHP_{j,m}$

6. $\lambda_{i,j,6,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 TEMP_{j,m}^3 + \beta_2 TEMP_m^2 + \beta_3 TEMP_m$

7. $\lambda_{i,j,7,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 HRSSHP_{j,m}^3 + \beta_2 HRSSHP_{j,m}^2 + \beta_3 HRSSHP_{j,m}$

8. $\lambda_{i,j,8,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 TEMP_m^2 + \beta_2 HRSSHP_{j,m}^2 + \beta_3 TEMP_m * HRSSHP_{j,m} + \beta_4 TEMP_m + \beta_5 HRSSHP_{j,m}$

9. $\lambda_{i,j,9,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \sin(TEMP_m)$

10. $\lambda_{i,j,10,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cos(TEMP_m)$

11. $\lambda_{i,j,11,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \sin(CYCSHP_{j,m})$

12. $\lambda_{i,j,12,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cos(CYCSHP_{j,m})$

13. $\lambda_{i,j,13,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 TEMP_m + \beta_2 CYCSHP_{j,m}$

14. $\lambda_{i,j,14,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 TEMP_m^3 + \beta_2 TEMP_m^2 + \beta_3 TEMP_m$

15. $\lambda_{i,j,15,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 CYCSHP_{j,m}^3 + \beta_2 CYCSHP_{j,m}^2 + \beta_3 CYCSHP_{j,m}$

16. $\lambda_{i,j,16,m} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 TEMP_m^2 + \beta_2 CYCSHP_{j,m}^2 + \beta_3 TEMP_m * CYCSHP_{j,m} + \beta_4 TEMP_m + \beta_5 CYCSHP_{j,m}$

where:

β = a coefficient indexed by p, where $p \in \{1,5\}$;

$HRSSHP_{j,m}$ = average flight hours per aircraft type "j" during

month m;

$CYCSHP_{j,m}$ = average flight cycles per aircraft type "j"

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during month m ; and

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 $TEMP_m$ = actual or average national temperature during month " m ."

Please replace paragraph [0028] with the following amended paragraph:

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[0028] For models 1-8 above, time (t) is measured in units of flight ~~eyeles~~ hours, while
for models 9-16, time (t) is measured in units of flight ~~[[hours]]~~ cycles. Thus, for example, the
coefficients β in models 1 and 9 are different from each other, etc.
